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M/V Kennicott Departs Bellingham for Ketchikan Will Stop in Ketchikan, Juneau, Yakutat Before Crossing Gulf

(Juneau) – Following five months of shipyard maintenance work in Portland, OR, the M/V *Kennicott* has passed its required US Coast Guard certifications and departed Bellingham, WA at 12:15 this morning, en route to Ketchikan. The *Kennicott* will stop in Ketchikan, Juneau, and Yakutat before crossing the Gulf of Alaska to fill in for the M/V *Tustumena* on routes to Homer and Kodiak next week.

The *Tustumena* went into the shipyard at Seward for annual maintenance on March 14. It normally serves Prince William Sound communities and westward to Kodiak and, in the summer months, Dutch Harbor.

“We are just thankful that we now have the *Kennicott* back in service, albeit a week late, to take over for the *Tustumena*,” said Alaska Marine Highway System General Manager John Falvey.

The *Kennicott* will sail on the following schedule through the end of March:

LV	Bellingham Fri. 3/18 at 12:15 a.m.	AR	Ketchikan Sat. 3/19 at 12 noon.
LV	Ketchikan Sat. 3/19 at 1:30 p.m.	AR	Juneau Sun. 3/20 at 5:30 a.m.
LV	Juneau Sun. 3/20 at 9:30 a.m.	AR	Yakutat Mon. 3/21 at 2:30 a.m.
LV	Yakutat Mon. 3/21 at 4:00 a.m.	AR	Seward Tues. 3/22 at 1:30 a.m.
LV	Seward Tues. 3/22 at 5:30 a.m.	AR	Kodiak Tues. 3/22 at 6:00 p.m.
LV	Kodiak Tues. 3/22 at 9:00 p.m.	AR	Homer Weds. 3/23 at 7:00 a.m.
LV	Homer Weds. 3/23 at 9:30 a.m.	AR	Seldovia Weds. 3/23 at 11:00 a.m.
LV	Seldovia Weds. 3/23 at 12:30 p.m.	AR	Homer Weds. 3/23 at 2:00 p.m.
LV	Homer Weds. 3/23 at 5:00 p.m.	AR	Kodiak Thurs. 3/24 at 3:00 a.m.
LV	Kodiak Thurs. 3/24 at 9:00 a.m.	AR	Seward Thurs. 3/24 at 9:30 p.m.
LV	Seward Fri. 3/25 at 1:30 a.m.	AR	Valdez Fri. 3/25 at 11:30 a.m.
LV	Valdez Fri. 3/25 at 2:30 p.m.	AR	Yakutat Sat. 3/26 at 10:30 a.m.
LV	Yakutat Sat. 3/26 at 12:00 p.m.	AR	Juneau Sun. 3/27 at 4:30 a.m.
LV	Juneau Sun. 3/27 at 7:30 a.m.	AR	Ketchikan Mon. 3/28 at 1:30 a.m.
LV	Ketchikan Mon. 3/28 at 3:30 a.m.	AR	Prince Rupert Mon. 3/28 at 10:45 a.m.
LV	Pr. Rupert Mon. 3/28 at 1:45 p.m.	AR	Ketchikan Mon. 3/28 at 6:45 p.m.
LV	Ketchikan Mon. 3/28 at 8:45 p.m.	AR	Juneau Tues. 3/29 at 2:45 p.m.
LV	Juneau Tues. 3/29 at 5:45 p.m.	AR	Yakutat Weds. 3/30 at 10:45 a.m.
LV	Yakutat Weds. 3/30 at 12:15 p.m.	AR	Seward Thurs. 3/31 at 9:45 a.m.
LV	Seward Thurs. 3/31 at 1:45 p.m.	AR	Cordova Thurs. 3/31 at 11:45 p.m.